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## NEWS

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## MOUNTAIN GOAT SEASON CLOSES IN PORTION OF UNIT 1C

The guideline harvest for mountain goats has been reached in the bow and arrow only hunt area in the vicinity of Juneau and has prompted biologists to close the mountain goat season in RG014 (the portion of Unit 1C draining into the south bank of Little Sheep Creek and into Gastineau Channel, Stephens Passage and Taku Inlet, north of the Taku River and south and east of Little Sheep Creek). An emergency order (01-01-05) was issued to close the season in this area at 11:59 pm on Thursday, 25 August 2005.

The system used to monitor the goat harvest counts female goats as 2 points, and male goats as 1 point. The allowable harvest for this area is 7 points. As of Friday 19 August 2005, 2 female goats (4 points) and 3 male goats (3 points) have been harvested, for a total of 7 points. Hunters were able to take advantage of good weather to access goats at high elevations. Biologists with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game encourage hunters to target male goats to allow for a higher sustainable harvest.

Those portions of Unit 1C not affected by this emergency order will remain open until the harvest guidelines are reached or the seasons come to their scheduled conclusions. Please consult your Alaska Hunting Regulations for descriptions of hunt areas, boundaries, and season dates.

Hunters with questions about goat hunting in Game Management Unit 1C can contact the Area Wildlife Biologist, Neil Barten, in the Douglas Area Office at 465-4267.